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City hospitals
grapple with viral fever cases

Health officials to meet private hospital authorities today to take stock of dengue spread

Mysuru, June 8 (RK&BCT)- The reports of widespread vector-borne diseases is sending shivers in city. Private and Government hospitals are full with patients with viral fever. While people having severe fever are being admitted as 'in patients', those having mild fever, headache and feverish symptoms are being treated as 'out patients' as hospitals do not have adequate beds to accommodate them.

According to doctors, this year, there is an increase in viral cases when compared to last year. "Usually, we get many patients with fever by the end of May till July. This year, however, the number of cases has gone up," doctors from Brindavan Hospital and Shanthaveri Gopalagowda Hospitals said.

When asked about dengue cases, they said that all the cases were of viral fever and dengue statistics will be released only by the District Health Officer.

Brindavan Hospital has around 18 'in patients' with viral fever, Vidyaranya Hospital has about two, Shanthaveri Gopalagowda Hospital has over 30 patients. There are over 70 patients at K.R. Hospital and over 100 viral fever patients at JSS Hospital.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Dr. B.H. Manjunath of Brindavan Hospital and Dr. Santhrupth of Shanthaveri Hospital said that the cases of viral fever have increased and they were finding it difficult to accommodate patients. "We conduct tests for dengue and malaria at our laboratories and report to the District Health Department if there are any suspect dengue/malaria cases. We are not authorised to declare dengue," they said.

The doctors said that though viral fever cases have increased, blood platelets in the patients have not come down. "Usually, when there is a dengue, platelets come down drastically and we have observed this last year. This time, however, we have not observed such a thing," they said.

(See HOSPITALS on page 8)

Manual scavenging

FIR against Panchayat President, PDO

Zilla Panchayat CEO writes to Govt. to remove Panchayat President

PDO Anand suspended

Pourakarmika Ganesh is seen entering the manhole at Thavarekere yesterday.

Mysuru, June 8 (MTY&BCT)- An FIR (First Information Report) has been registered at Krishnaraja Police Station in city late last night against Geetha, President of Chamundi Hill Gram Panchayat and Anand, Panchayat Development Officer (PDO) for allegedly forcing a civic worker to climb down a manhole that was full with sewage yesterday.

PDO Anand was suspended by the State Government this afternoon.

Geetha and Anand allegedly asked Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Pourakarmikas Ganesh and Cheluva to get inside the overflowing manhole in front of Geetha's house at Thavarekere village at around 2 pm yesterday. The Pourakarmikas were asked to unclog the blocked drains as "she wanted it done immediately".

GP President Geetha

Ganesh initially refused saying the block was so severe that they should wait for equipment to be brought in to clear up the sewer line. But he alleged that Geetha insisted he dip into the manhole and physically clear it as it was right in front of her house.

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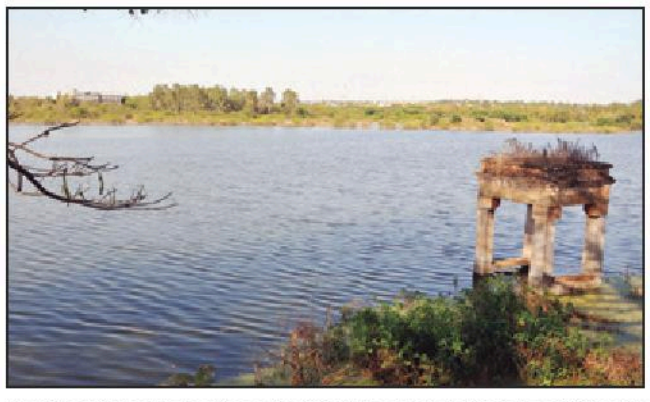
Lingambudhi Botanical Garden to be ready in a month



Horticulture Department officials explaining about the works taken up at the Lingambudhi Lake to Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep this morning. *[Pic. by Pragathi Gopalakrishna]*

Mysuru, June 8 (RKB&VNS)- If things go as per plans, Mysuru will soon have its own botanical garden within a month. The Lingambudhi lake, which is being developed by the Horticulture Department, was inspected by Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep this morning.

Officials of Horticultural Department explained about various works taken up by the department which includes construction of pathways, fencing and others.

The Department also plans to set up sewage treatment plants in the lake premises to treat sewage water that enter the lake from surrounding areas. The department has till now spent Rs. 1.5 cr. for the project and also plans to seek more funds through tourism department as it plans to make it one of the tourist attractions in city.

Currently, horticulturists have been identifying various species of tree saplings to be planted in the botanical garden. Officials said works are expected to be completed by the end of this month. And once completed, the 239-acre lake will surely add to city's beauty.

Senior Horticulture Assistant Director Dinesh Kumar, Assistant Director Thimmaraju and others were present.

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."
Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.
Mysuru, Thursday 8th June 2017

Spirituality for longevity

Some may consider it mere conjecture to favour the view that longevity of the land's people in the distant past also meant healthy living. The reality in our times, however, is the all-too-familiar and all-too-clear scenario of a great number of people in the senior citizen category being bugged by a multitude of health issues, euphemistically described by the medical practitioners as *age-related problems*. The diverse features of aged people of the past enjoying healthy living on one side and their counterparts of nowadays suffering from you-name-it-they-have-it disorders/diseases/disabilities on the other side also go hand-in-hand with two other concomitant features namely *a)* a land with no hospitals/ trained doctors/allopathic drugs in distant past and *b)* surfeit of super-speciality hospitals/ high-profile doctors/drugs for remedying any and every disease and disorder nowadays. The culture of faith in divinity and trust in the power of praying to be free form suffering must have served people of past generations well in total contrast to people of our times, urbanites in particular, marked by faith in doctors and trust in the curative power of modern drugs, unmindful of their often deadly side-effects, giving rise to the idiom "If there are no side effects, there are no main effects too."

One is at a loss to make out any meaning considering the conflicting points of longevity alongside very low life expectancy of people belonging to past generations and shortened life span alongside high life expectancy of people in our times. Maybe, the principle of survival of the fit-test among the former and hitech medicare at the disposal of the latter may be of some help in resolving the conflict.

The parameters reckoned in determining life expectancy of given population and the method used in its estimation may both be flawed, given the accepted reality of those relatively small number of people who survived pestilence in the days gone by did live upto old age while a significant number of people nowadays live to wear *senior citizen* badge, thanks to easy access to medicare, never mind the cost. One is on strong grounds to argue that society of the past was marked by a mindset of relying on divinity for overall well-being to a much greater extent than society of our times. That took the former to places of worship to be mentally *poised* instead of being *poisoned* by medicines, particularly prescribed by medical practitioners with pedestrian knowledge.

Present generation has unwittingly got itself into the whirl of increased pace of life marked by fast foods, fast automobiles, fast communication and fast everything else leaving limited, if not zero, scope for pursuit of spirituality, adding to modern handicaps of polluted air, adulterated foods and life's stresses. In short, the healthy elderly of the past were well served by their own choice of uncomplicated life and spirituality, both acting as a synergy as per finding of a recent study. Also, the government of our times tom-toming about the harmful consequences of smoking and consuming alcoholic drinks while playing into the hands of lobbies of tobacco and liquor is sham. The society is worse off for it.

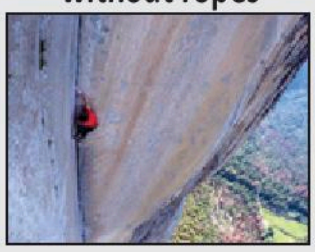
EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

There was a time when films were declared hits when they celebrated their silver and golden jubilees at the box office. Now silver and golden jubilees don't matter because only weekends are enough to decide. These days governments too are not waiting every five years for the voters' verdict on whether they have been hits or flops. Instead, governments are singing `happy birthday to me' every year. The question must be asked: Are voters invited to the party? Why even the Left has been bitten by the happy birthday bug, as revealed in the blitzkrieg of full page ads on the one year anniversary of the Pinarayi Vijayan government in Kerala. But then we Indians love anniversaries. A bridal store recently celebrated its six month anniversary. Film star couples even celebrate their one month anniversaries. Celebrating anniversaries shows we are not just marking time, instead we are timing our pleasures.

—Sagarika Ghose in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

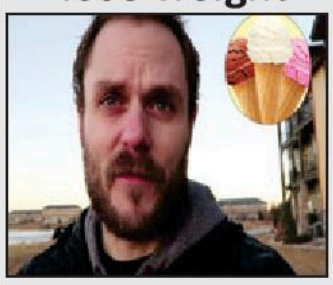
He climbed 'El Capitan' without ropes



Northern California: Alex Honnold, a 31-year-old mountain climber from Northern California, recently became the first person ever to climb the 3,000-foot high El Capitan granite wall in Yosemite National Park, without any ropes or other safety equipment.

Hannold pulled-off the historic, death-defying "free solo" climb on Saturday, June 4th, reaching the top of El Capitan in just 3 hours and 56 minutes. All he used as gear was a bag of chalk powder to improve his grip on the slippery granite. The brave climber told the Associated Press that things get really hairy around 2,300-foot mark, where the holds used to ascend get so small that they can only be gripped with a thumb. To tackle these extreme conditions, Alex spent hours every day hanging by his finger tips and doing one- and two-armed pull ups in his van. By conquering El Capitan, Alex Honnold fulfilled a life goal he set for himself back in 2009, when he wrote it in his journal.

New tips to lose weight



Denver: Anthony Howard-Crow, a 32-year-old stunt dieter and YouTuber from Loveland, Colorado, recently undertook an unusual diet in order to prove that you can eat pretty much anything and still lose weight as long as you keep an eye on your calorie intake.

Howard-Crow has been trying to prove that weight loss ultimately comes down to how many calories you put into your body and how many you burn. His first stunt dieting experience was a 30-day diet in which he got 50 percent of his daily calories from ice cream. Later, he tried a 30-day diet where he only ate fast-food products and ended up in losing 2 pounds per week and with shredded abs.

Anthony's 100-day diet began in January, and ended last month. During that period, he kept a close eye on his calorie intake – 2,000 calories a day of ice cream, combined protein powder or alcohol. He lost 32 pounds despite the seemingly unhealthy diet, his medical tests showed that he was healthier.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Should I ask for an activity tracker for my birthday?

Losing weight? Skip the silicon and track your exercise with an old-fashioned spreadsheet. A recent study found that when it comes to fitness tracking newer isn't always better.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Mysore Art Gallery to honour seashell artist Y. Jayamma

Mysuru, June 8- As part of its monthly programme '*Sadhakarondige Samvaada*', the Mysore Art Gallery will felicitate **Y. Jayamma**, seashell artist and Shilapakala Akademi awardee. The felicitation event will be held on June 10 at 11 am at the Mysore Art Gallery on Ramanuja Road.

Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) Chairman B. Siddaraju will preside over the event. KEA Chief Executive Officer N.M. Shashikumar will be the chief guest. M. Chandrashekar, President, Kannada Sahitya Kalakoota, will deliver introductory remarks. Handicraft artists Nissar Ahmed, M.N. Yadugiri Gopalan, Umarajashekara and Geetha Prasad will be the special invitees.

About the artist

Jayamma hails from a well-known family of artists and sculptors and has been the source of inspiration for artists. One of Jayamma's uncles S.N. Swamy is a noted artist, and one of her ancestors T. Yalakkachar was involved in the construction of Mysore Palace.

Jayamma brings alive the world of seashells and conches and breathes life into these inanimate objects as her deft hands pick up the right combination of shells and gets the concrete shape of Hindu Gods and Goddesses, important personalities of the contemporary world or characters of Ramayana and Mahabharata epics.

Jayamma runs Jaya Shankhu-Shukti Kala Kendra on Irwin Road and dexterous hands have carved many Hindu Gods and Goddesses with great precision. She is a retired teacher from JSS Women's D.Ed College. She evinced keen interest in objects made of seashells after a visit to a relative's house in Bengaluru 30 years ago.

Seminar on 'Business Process and Tally on GST' on June 10

Mysuru, June 8- The Mysore Division Tax Practitioners Association, Mysuru, has organised a seminar on 'GST' at Rani Bahadur Auditorium, B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences, Hunsur Road, on June 10 from 10 am to 4 pm.

Dr. B.V. Muralikrishna, JCCT (Admin) DVO-1, Bengaluru, will deliver a talk on 'Business Process under GST.' S.K. Nagachandra, CA, will deliver a talk on 'Tally on GST.' For details, contact Ph: 0821-2446717 or Mob: 94480-67753.

Really...?

- ***The earliest European images of dogs are found in cave paintings dating back 12,000 years ago in Spain.***
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VOICE OF THE READER

Remove sand deposits from city roads

Sir,

Recent rains have brought sand from roadsides on to the road which may cause two-wheelers to skid.

The photos were taken very recently on Kalidasa Road near Kannada Sahitya Bhavan Circle *(see photo)*.

There are several such sand deposits on Bogadi Road (near AIISH and University Guest House), Hinkal Road near Shell Petrol Bunk. There may be several other roads filled with this type of sand or fine soil. It may cause injuries to the riders and their vehicles may hit other passing vehicles when it skids.

Hence I request the officials concerned take action to remove sand from roads an ensure the safety of motorists.

—Mohankumar
on e-mail

Mysuru
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Partial Cancellation of Trains

Mysuru, June 8- Railway has permitted Line Block of 3 hours on daily basis for 90 days from **June 7 to Sept. 18,** except every Sundays, between Lachyan and Tadwal stations for maintenance work. As such,

1. Train No. 56904, Dharwad-Solapur Passenger is partially cancelled between Vijayapura-Solapur till Sept. 18, 2017 except every Saturday.

2. Train No. 56905, Solapur-Hubballi Passenger is partially cancelled between Solapur-Vijayapura till Sept. 19, 2017 except every Sunday.

In connection with the pre non interlock work from June 8 to 11 and non interlock work on June 12 for commissioning of double line between Bhanapur - Koppal stations of Hosapete - Hubballi section of Hubballi Division, the following trains are partially cancelled/regulated/rescheduled:

1. Train No. 51412/51411, Hubballi - Ballari - Hubballi Passenger partially cancelled between Banni Koppa – Ballari - Banni Koppa on June 12. **2.** Train No. 56927/56928, Hubballi - Chikkabenakal - Hubballi Passenger partially cancelled between Harlapur - Chikkabenakal - Harlapur on June 12. **3.** Train No. 17415 Tirupati - Kolhapur, Haripriya Express regulated for 15 minutes at Ballari or Hoapete on June 8 and June 10. **4.** Train No. 17226, Hubballi - Vijayawada, Amravati Express will be re-scheduled by 90 minutes from Hubballi on June 12.

Rivision of Train Time: South Western Railway has decided to reduce the running time of Train No. 16575, Yesvantpur - Mangaluru Tri weekly Gomateshwara Express with effect from June 6 and Train No. 16515, Yesvantpur - Karwar Tri weekly express with effect from June 7. Accordingly, Train No. 16575 will arrive Mangaluru at 16.55 hrs instead of 17.30 hrs. Train No. 16515 will arrive Mangaluru 16.55 hrs instead of 17.40 hrs.

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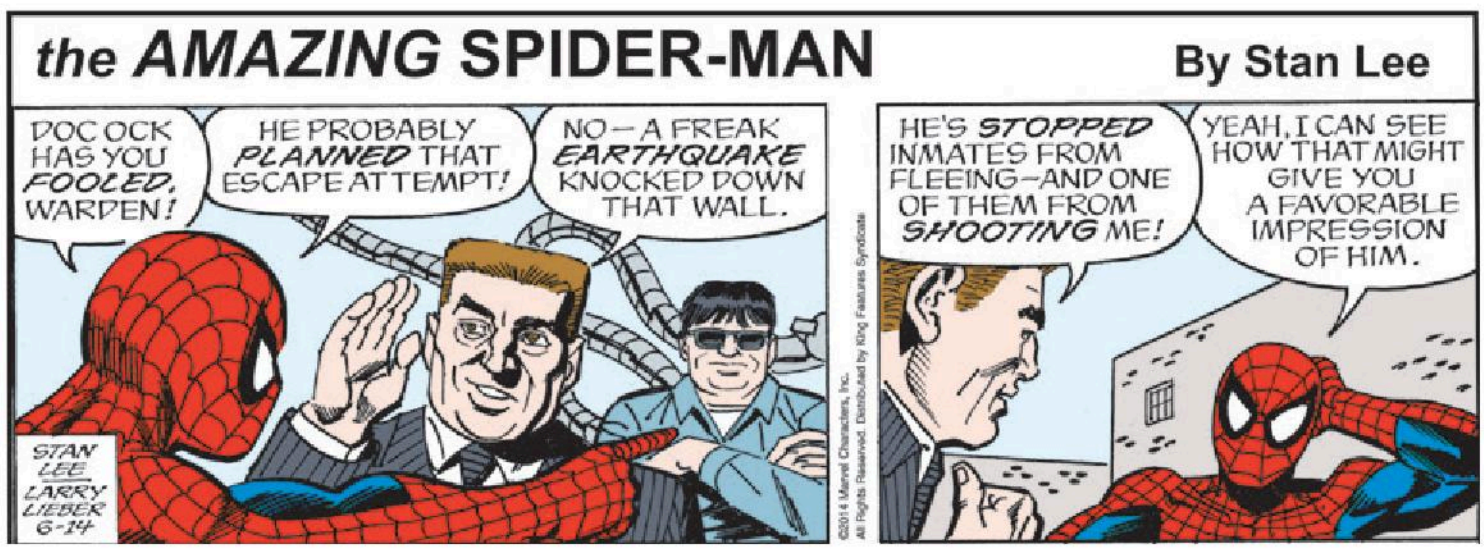
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NEWS BRIEFS

Public contact meet

Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) Limited, has organised a public contact meet on June 9 (tomorrow). Assistant Executive Engineer, CESC, will conduct the meeting at 11 am at Ramakrishnanagar Sub-Division office and at 3 pm in Kuvempunagar Sub-Division office. The public are urged to attend the meeting and submit their grievances.

Satyanarayana puja

As part of full moon day, Sri Satyanarayana Puja will be held at Sri Kanyakaparameshwari Temple in the premises of Vasavi Shantidhama, Alanahalli, tomorrow (June 9) at 10 am. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2902326 or Mob: 97311-60394.

Story-telling

Kalasuruchi has organised story-telling for kids by H.P. Geetha, Associate Professor in Kannada, Govt. Degree College, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru on June 10 from 4.30 pm to 5.30 pm at Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2541795 or Mob: 92435-81097.

KPSC examination

The competitive examination for Group C posts by KPSC will be held on June 11 at Government Model Higher Primary School at Rajendranagar along with other centres in city.

Hostel Admission

District Minority Welfare Department has invited applications for admission to post-metric student's hostel located at Nanjangud and T. Narasipur. Interested can submit the filled application within July 10. Applications are available at Department of Minority Welfare, No. 1179, 8th cross, D. Devaraja Urs Road, behind Bhima and Brothers Jewellery shop, Mysuru – 24 or contact Ph: 0821-2422088. For students, who have renewed their admission, the hostel has commenced from June 1.

Distribution of marks cards

The mark cards of the candidates who have passed the Karnataka Teachers Training examination held on Jan. 15, 2017 will be distributed at DDPI's office. Candidates must come in person to collect the marks card along with their hall ticket, copy of their application, Voter ID card/Aadhar card/PAN card. The uncollected marks cards will be sent to Centralised Document Cell in Bengaluru.

Application invited

Dept. of Fire, Emergency Services and Home Guards has invited applications for the vacant post of Honorary Commandant, Home Guards in Mysuru. Eligible graduates can apply for the post at the DC's office within June 30.

"Keep your garbage at your house only"

MCC plans strict enforcement for a clean city

Aims to educate people about dry and wet waste segregation

Mysuru, June 8 (RKB&NNN)- "Keep your garbage at your house only" will be the stern measure the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) plans to implement, if people do not segregate wet and dry waste at their homes.

In a strict warning to the citizens, the MCC has decided not to collect waste if both wet and dry waste is put together.

Former international cricketer Javagal Srinath who has been appointed as brand ambassador to the MCC had read out a oath on World Environment Day, asking people to segregate wet and dry waste as part of the Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan. In the light of this, the MCC has prepared a micro plan to solve the problem of waste segregation.

According to this plan, the officials of the MCC will visit each and every house and create awareness about wet and dry segregation. In three months, the people should make it a habit to implement this idea. If they do not bother to separate the waste, in the second stage they have to pay a fine. In spite of this if they ignore, then in the third and final stage, they will be told "Keep your garbage at your house only".

Every household should compulsorily segregate the waste and hand it over to pourakarmikas who come to collect garbage. The MCC has plans to regain the

'Cleanest City in India' tag.

Creating awareness through Micro plan

It may be recalled that Mysuru had bagged the 'Cleanest City in India' tag twice consecutively and was hoping to complete a hat-trick this time. However, it slipped to the fifth spot.

Without the co-operation of the people, no plan can be successful. According to the micro plan prepared by the MCC, it plans to introduce the programme in all the nine zones and in each ward. Before implementing this plan, including the Pourakarmikas, the Environmental Officers of each zone, Health Officials and Assistant Commissioners have been given training.

If the wet and dry waste is segregated at source, the dry waste can be sent for recycling. Thus, the huge accumulation of garbage dumped in open spaces will reduce. The wet waste will be sent directly to manufacture compost manure. This will help in giving subsidy to farmers, said MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha.

Some of the old auto tippers have been repaired recently. Three tippers in each ward is not sufficient. A proposal has been sent from the Corporation to the government requesting for 100 more tippers, he said.

Social commitment

The people should have a social commitment to segregate the waste. To create awareness in this regard, the micro plan will be implemented in all the 65 wards. If this plan becomes successful then by 2018, Mysuru could regain the top spot in the Swachh Sarvekshan. People's co-operation is absolutely essential to achieve this goal.

"There is shortage of Pourakarmikas in the Corporation and the government is likely to give its assent to appoint 500 of them shortly. Once the permission is given then the problem is going to ease. I have taken the proposal, which was lying neglected, since two years seriously and send it to the government."—G. Jagadeesha, Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation.

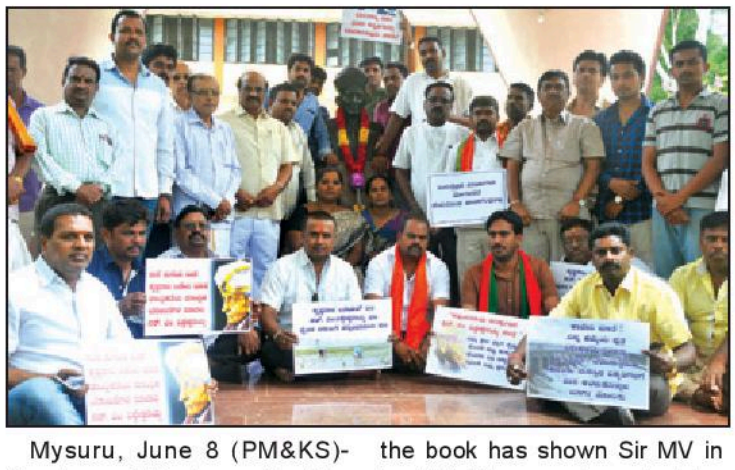
Working women's problems

However, a few working women speaking to *Star of Mysore*, said, "The effort of the Corporation is very noteworthy. It is also true that unless citizens co-operate nothing much can be achieved.

But, these days many women go out to work. They leave home early in the morning. When we keep the garbage outside, the pourakarmikas do not come most of the days.

Meanwhile, the stray dogs will pick up the garbage bag and by the time we return home in the evening, the garbage will be strewn all around. Some concrete measure should be taken to help women like us."

Silent protest staged against writer for portraying Sir MV in bad light



Mysuru, June 8 (PM&KS)- Members of Prajnavantha Nagarika Vedike and BJP activists staged a silent protest against Prof. P.V. Nanjaraja Urs, in front of Sir MV's bust in The Institute of Engineers premises on JLB road here yesterday morning for portraying Sir M. Visveswaraya in bad light in his book titled 'Nanu Kanambadi Katte'.

Speaking on the occasion, BJP Slum Morcha President Kautilya Raghu said that though the contributions of Sir M. Visveswaraya to the city was immense, Prof. P.V. Nanjaraja Urs, the author of the book has shown Sir MV in bad light thus creating a bad impression in the minds of the public and added that the writer was not a historian, but a Hindi lecturer, who is seeking free publicity.

He said that they were staging a silent protest for now, but would stage a massive protest if such things repeat in future and demanded the State Government to seize the books, which were released recently in city.

Social Worker Raghuram, former MUDA Chairman K.R. Mohan Kumar, Corporator M.V. Ramprasad and others were present.

Conmen arrested

Electrical cables worth Rs. 22 lakh seized

Mysuru, June 8- NR Police have arrested three conmen on charges of cheating businesspersons after purchasing products from them online and not paying the money. The Police have seized electrical cables worth Rs. 22 lakh from them.

The accused have been identified as Atheeb ur Rehman, Imran Khan and Zameer, all residents of Rajiv Nagar in city.

The accused, under the name of Victoria Infrastructure, used to cheat businesspersons by purchasing products from them saying that they were constructing apartments and used to abscond after failing to pay the money.

A complaint in this regard was lodged at Vijayanagar Police Station. As the jurisdiction came under N.R. Police, the case was transferred to them. NR Inspector Ashok Kumar, who began investigations, arrested the accused.

Miscreants steal cash kept in bike

Mysuru, June 8- Miscreants have stolen cash, kept in the bike, while the victim was answering nature's call in city.

The victim who lost the cash has been identified as Lingappa, of Pillahalli in the taluk.

On Tuesday, Lingappa had borrowed Rs. 30,000 as he had to pay the school fees of his son and had kept the cash in the pouch of the tank cover of his bike. While returning to his place, Lingappa stopped the bike near Kamat Hotel on Nanjangud Road and went to answer nature's call.

When he returned, he found the cash missing and immediately lodged a complaint at K.R. Police Station. K.R. Police who have registered a case in this regard are investigating.

MLA S.R. Mahesh resigns over inaction on Sri Rama Sugar Factory

S.R. Mahesh

Bengaluru, June 8- Accusing the State Government of doing nothing for the revival of Sri Rama Sugar factory in K.R. Nagar taluk, K.R. Nagar MLA S.R. Mahesh submitted his resignation to Assembly Speaker K.B. Koliwad at the ongoing legislative session yesterday.

Claiming that he was upset over the apathetic attitude of the Government in reviving the sugar factory, Mahesh alleged that the Government had not even released the salary dues of the employees.

Maintaining that his numerous representations to the Government seeking revival of the sugar factory had fallen on deaf ears, Mahesh alleged that the Government had failed to release Rs.14.70 crore salary dues of the sugar factory employees.

His series of protests and agitations over the issue had failed to make any impact on the Government and as such, he was submitting his resignation in protest against the Government's apathy, Mahesh said.

Meanwhile Chief Minister Siddharamaiah in a written reply to S.R. Mahesh on the issue, has said it was not possible for the Government to revive Sri Rama Sugar factory.

However, the Government was considering release of pending salary and other monetary benefits to the factory employees, under the Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS).

30 percent of MLA funds to be spent for school development

Bengaluru, June 8(KMS&DM)- The State Government is planning to spend 30 percent of Legislator funds for development of Government Schools across the State.

Replying to a question by N.A. Haris of the Congress during the Assembly session here yesterday, Minister for Primary and Secondary Education Tanveer Sait said the Government has plans to establish 19,000 new schools and repair/add 31,000 classrooms at schools across the State.

Maintaining that the Government was finding it difficult to properly maintain the existing schools under the available funds, Sait expressed disappointment that the Centre too was not coming to the aid of State Government under the Rashtriya Shikshana Abhiyan.

Replying to another question, the Minister said there was 14,000 vacancies of teacher in the State and the Government was willing to fill the vacancies in stages.

Explaining the challenges before Government Schools, the Minister reiterated that the Government was seriously thinking of spending 30 percent of the Legislators Local Area Development Funds, for improving infrastructure of Government Schools.

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Decoding Mythology

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

Evangelism, Crusades, Inquisition

Evangelism, Crusades and Inquisition are three terms that come to us from Christian history. Evangelism comes from the earliest phase of Christianity, and refers to 'the act of spreading the good word' used by Christ's followers to convert Greeks and Romans to their belief system based on the myths of God, Sin, Prophecy, Saviour and Redemption. This began 2,000 years ago. It eventually consolidated the Roman Empire by transforming it into the Holy Roman Empire 1,500 years ago.

Crusades refers to 'the campaign of those bearing the mark of the Cross' against Muslims who had laid claim to the Holy City of Jerusalem. The battle began nearly 1,000 years ago and lasted for centuries. A common enemy and common cause helped unite the Eastern and Western halves of the Holy Roman Empire, but eventually failed both in reclaiming the holy land and in sustaining unity. Inquisition refers to 'prolonged questioning to identify and punish the heretic and the blasphemer.' This activity was meant to identify Protestants, who, inspired by the rising tide of science and logic, threatened the already fragmented Holy Roman Empire by questioning the authority of the Pope, and challenging prevalent notions of God. This activity peaked 500 years ago. It did not work. Europe was forever divided between Catholics and Protestants. This division spread beyond the Pacific with South America dominated by Catholics and North America dominated by Protestants.

Evangelism, Crusades and Inquisition can be found in Islamic history too, though the words used are different: Da'wah, Jihad, Mihna. As in Christianity, it did not stop people from leaving the faith, becoming atheists, or creating new sects and schools of thought, accounting for the diverse forms of Islam we find around the world.

Many followers of Hindutva, exasperated by the unorganised nature of Hinduism, are trying to recast Hinduism using this three-pronged model of organised political religions. But it faces many hurdles.

When you wish to convert people to Hinduism, as many Hindu 'missions' do, what does it actually mean? Does it mean practicing yoga, or does it mean having a jati (caste), or does it mean becoming a hermit (sanyasi) or maybe even a brahmin, an option given by many gurus to their white disciples? So now Hindutva Evangelism simply involves demanding hyper-nationalist behaviour, which includes adoration of Bharat Mata, India turned into a Goddess, or forcing everyone to adopt Hindi, something that can be enforced and monitored.

Hindutva Crusades are relatively easier. Holy War (Dharma-yuddha) has been declared against Muslims and Christians and Communists through various policy decisions such as the beef ban and questioning freedom of speech. Hindutva Inquisition against insiders means identifying and hounding those who do not endorse Hindutva claims about Hinduism. For example, you are anti-Hindu heretic, hence anti-national blasphemer, if you do not accept that India was a great civilisation 10,000 years ago with knowledge of aeroplanes and plastic surgery, scientific evidence notwithstanding.

Some may argue this counterforce is needed to balance the force of smug anti-Hindu secularism. But, at its heart, this political exercise reveals a deep discomfort with the foundations of the Hindu worldview based on fluidity and diversity that resists any rigid organisation, where kings come and go, doctrines come and go, religions come and go, like waves on the stormy ocean of milk, but Vishnu always smiles and Shiva dances. All we can do is watch and witness the Age of Anger with two key words inscribed on doors of a Sai Baba temple: Shraddha (faith) and saburi (patience).

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Keep your eyes and ears open

By N.K.A. Ballal,
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A 16-year-old youth gets up and starts perusing a newspaper. What does he read? Automation: Cognizant lays off 6,000 workers, Infosys to follow.

Ballal

Automation is a reality one has to face. In 1998, Kodak had 1,70,000 employees and sold 85% of all photo papers around the world. Now, where is that company? It has almost disappeared with the advent of digital printing. Ironically, Steven Sasson, the man who invented digital photography was working for Kodak for several years. What was the mistake of the company? Simple, they just did not see the new automation revolution and keep up with times.

What has happened to Kodak will happen to lots of industries around the world. Imagine, Uber is just a software tool and they do not own any cars but still they are the biggest taxi company in the world. Aribnb is now the biggest hotel company in the world although they do not own any of the hotels they market. This year a computer beat the best go player in the world, 10 years earlier than predicted!

In the US, young lawyers are jobless because of 'IBM Watson' where one can get legal advice within seconds with 90 percent accuracy compared to 70 percent done by humans. Diagnosing cancer, 'IBM Watson' can do it 4 times more accurately than any doctor. It is expected that by 2030, computers will become more intelligent than humans.

Even at present "Google Mata" is the trouble-shooter for millions around the world. Take cars, in a decade or two, driverless cars/trucks will be in place, displacing millions of humans. The present lot of car makers who churn out diesel and petrol cars will phased out with the advent of electric cars.

At present, electric cars are expensive and costly to maintain but with new technology it will become affordable. If one recollects, solar power used to cost Rs. 7 unit a few years back but now it is available at Rs. 3. The bitter truth is that automation is here to stay and it is going to take away millions of jobs across the world.

How do you expect the young minds to react? The same news is magnified and is relayed on the TV and print media day in and day out. Imagine the mindset of a 16 or 18-year-old -- confused and angry. One is considered successful only if you able to land a job after finishing one's education. In Mysore, every parent has only two options, make their wards either an engineer or a doctor. Just finishing an MBBS education will get you nowhere. One requires at least an M.D in education to be successful. Can an aam aadmi afford Rs. 1 crore and above for every seat?

The premium for engineering seat is also coming down with campus recruitment on the decline and the companies busy re-skilling their own existing workforce to survive in these trying times. Our university authorities are also not ready to

change the syllabus to produce employable graduates and a recent study has confirmed that only about 5 percent of the existing students are employable. If this is the state of affairs of professional colleges, what to talk of other streams of science and arts?

Time has come for our youngsters to think out-of-the-box solutions, by keeping their eyes and ears open. Automation is going to eat away lots of jobs. It is estimated that about 60 percent of jobs are in stake and may be eliminated in another 10 to 15 years. One has to move with times and India cannot be an exception to the rule. All developed countries around the world are slowly but steadily becoming protectionist to their population and a growing demand for jobs from their own citizens.

What is the solution? It is simple. Get over the mindset of becoming an engineer or a doctor. Use the Information Technology to check new avenues and courses on offer across India. We have just not explored enough the opportunities available in this world. Let us not become a nation of engineers and doctors alone.

I have listed some of the courses and untouched fields which have a great future. There are hundreds more I have not mentioned. Some may be undergraduate courses and some may be post-graduate ones. Be smart, vigilant and embrace the future:

- Climatic analysis and management
- Ocean studies
- Geology and disaster management
- Water reservoirs planning and creation, flood & drought management
- Meteorological studies
- Aquatic life studies
- Material studies & management
- Fuel, power and energy management
- Textile studies & management
- Linguistics (language expertise) & translations
- Marketing management in unexplored sectors like politics, science, films & social media
- International law and political studies
- Psychology & psychoanalysis
- Artistry, digital art & designing
- Teaching
- Educational studies and management
- Dairy farming
- Astronomy and other studies of space technology
- Waste management and recycling studies
- Media, print and TV
- Demography & culture studies
- History and archaeological studies
- Film production and associated expertise
- Fashion engineering
- Nutrition and healthcare management
- Cyber security
- Travel management & writing
- Mapping and related studies
- Martial arts and techniques for defence fields
- Sports studies (for both players and referee/umpiring) and training
- Content creation and analysis
- Genetics and genomics
- Bio engineering
- Nursing
- Hospitality
- Event management
- Organic farming
- Hospital management

I am sure there must be some course listed above which may interest you. If you check on your own, you may find something more interesting. Make your own destiny. Let us become a nation of people with vision and imagination once again. Do you agree?

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Karnataka Govt. tables State GST Bill

Bengaluru, June 8- The Siddharamaiah-led Karnataka Government yesterday tabled the Karnataka Goods and Service Tax Bill (GST)-2017 with less than a month left for Centre to roll out the GST Bill.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, who also holds the Finance portfolio, tabled the Bill before the Assembly to make a provision for levy and collection of tax on intra-State supply of goods or services or both by Karnataka State and the matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Karnataka was among seven States — Meghalaya, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, Kerala, Jammu and Kashmir and West Bengal — which were yet to pass the SGST law. Barring J&K where BJP is an alliance partner of PDP, all are non-BJP ruled States.

Incidentally, Congress during the UPA-2 rule had introduced the GST Bill and the party in the State had fully supported its implementation after BJP-led NDA came to power three years ago.

All direct and indirect taxes would be subsumed in a single tax under the GST regime which will be levied on supply of goods or services or both at each stage of supply chain starting from manufacture or import and till the last retail level. So, any tax that is presently being levied by the State Government or the Central Government on the supply of goods or services would be converged in GST which will come into existence on July 1.

Meanwhile, Siddharamaiah also tabled the Karnataka Sales Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2017 to amend the Karnataka Sales Tax Act 1957.

The amendment envisages tax on petrol, diesel, aviation turbine fuel, crude oil and natural gas be levied from a date that the GST council may decide. Till then and even after that, States will be empowered to levy tax on sale of these products. Hence it is considered to amend the Karnataka Sales Tax Act of 1957, the Amendment Bill said.

State Government to denotify
National Highways to save bars

Bengaluru, June 8- In a clear case to save its Excise revenue, the State Cabinet yesterday approved a proposal to denotify the National Highway coming under the urban Civic Bodies limits.

The State Cabinet, which met yesterday, took a decision to denotify 858 kms of the total 6,578 kms of National Highway in the State, the move said to be taken bowing to the lobby from bar and restaurants owners.

This decision to denotify the National Highways has come as a relief for 60-70 percent of bars which were under the threat of closure as per the Supreme Court's order.

The State Government will ask the Ministry for Highways and Road Transport to denotify them citing the reason of better maintenance. And once the roads denotified they will be handed over to the Local Bodies for regular maintenance.

As per the Apex Court's order passed earlier this year, around 5,960 licences, out of the total 10,149 licences along the Highway, had to be cancelled within June 30 as they are located within the 500 mts of the highway.

While the move is said to benefit the State Government as it helps to earn revenue from liquor sale it is also an additional burden for State exchequer as it will have to reserve funds for the maintenance of National Highways.

The move to denotify the Highways is expected to save resources for Union Transport Ministry but its ambitious plan of highway expansion might take a jolt.

According to sources, 16,298 of the 5,01,423 road accidents were caused by intoxicated drivers in 2015. Drink driving accounted for 675 of the total 1.46 lakh road fatalities reported in the same year.

Race To Raisina
Prez Poll on July 17

New Delhi, June 8- The election to elect the next President of India, if needed, would be held on July 17 announced the Election Commission, yesterday.

Though the Opposition has promised a contest on ideological grounds, the next President might be a consensus candidate, and no election might be needed. President Pranab Mukherjee completes his term on July 24.

The election process would begin from June 14 with the issuance of a notification. Nominations would end on June 28. The process to elect India's 15th President would end on July 20 with the counting of votes.

According to a schedule announced by the EC, a candidate can withdraw from the election till July 1.

The President is elected through a system of proportional representation, which comprises MPs and Members of State Assemblies. A total of 4,896 people — 4,120 MLAs and 776 MPs — are eligible to vote.

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Workshop on Aadhaar for district officials held in city

Mysuru, June 8 (MTY&VNS)- The linking of Aadhaar to various welfare schemes announced by both the State and Central Governments will help in monitoring if the benefits had reached the actual beneficiaries, said DC D. Randeep.

He was speaking after inaugurating the one-day workshop Aadhaar registration and Aadhaar seedings for the district-level officers jointly organised by Centre for e-Governance, Bengaluru and District Administration at the DC's office this morning.

The workshop aims at helping the officials to understand the concept of linking Aadhaar to various schemes for people to avail subsidies and other benefits and also to clear the doubts regarding related issues, he added.

DC Randeep also said that people were opening fresh accounts and link their Aadhaar numbers which was causing a lot of confusion.

Speaking on the occasion, State Aadhaar Project Officer C. Ravikumar said that a total of 6.46 crore people had got their Aadhaar and added that Mysuru had achieved 93.04 percent progress.

He also said that the workshop aimed at motivating the officials to achieve 100 percent progress and also to clear their doubts regarding Aadhaar.

ADC D. Venkatesh, Aadhaar Project Co-ordinator Raghu Vamshi, Hunsur AC Soujanya, Department of Food and Civil Supplies Senior Deputy Director Dr. K. Rameshwarappa, Backward Classes Welfare Officer Somashekar Jigani, District AYUSH Officer Dr. Seetalakshmi and others were present.

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya

New Registrar takes charge

University of Mysore Acting Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dayandand Mane and PMEB Director Prof. Lingaraj Gandhi welcome D. Bharati, who took charge as the Registrar, at the VC's chambers, in Crawford Hall, this morning.

10 Residential Colleges to come up this year: Minister

Bengaluru, June 8 (KMS&DM)- Minister for Higher Education Basavaraj Rayareddy has said the Government will establish 10 Residential Degree Colleges from this year. Replying to a question by Maddur JD(S) MLA D.C. Thammanna during Question Hour in the Assembly yesterday, Basavaraj Rayareddy said that the Government was planning to establish such Colleges in most backward districts.

Pointing out that there were 412 Government First Grade Colleges, the Minister said that several Colleges were found lacking in student admission and as such the Government was mulling closure or relocation of such Colleges, which are about 15 in number. Assuring the MLA that Kestur in Maddur taluk would be considered for establishment of a College, he said the process of appointing lecturers at Government Colleges had begun and added that 2,160 lecturers would be appointed through the Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA).

Adequate security for girls hostel at Manasagangotri: Replying to another question by Tiptur MLA Shadakshari, the Minister said that the Government had taken adequate measures for the safety and security of girl students hostel at Manasagangotri in Mysuru.

City hospitals

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District Health Officer Dr. B. Basavaraju said that one confirmed case of Dengue has been reported from Kamakshi Hospital where a girl from Paduvarahalli has been admitted. "Private hospitals cannot confirm dengue as a few of them are giving false information to patients' relatives. Unless it is confirmed by the District Health Department, they should not issue such statements," he said.

"Blood samples for suspect dengue cases must be tested as per Enzyme-linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) procedure. Private labs resort to Rapid Card Test that is not reliable," he said and added that a meeting has been called with private hospitals today at 3 pm at District Health office in Nazarbad to take stock of dengue viral fever cases.

MGP Monthly Meeting

Mysuru, June 8- The monthly public meeting of Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) will be held at its office, 6/1, Vivekananda Road, Yadavagiri, on June 11 at 4 pm.

The meeting will focus on three issues — Property tax, apartment-related problems and hospital/doctor-related issues.

The public is invited to participate. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2515150.

Manual scavenging: FIR against Panchayat Chief, PDO

Officials collecting details at Thavarekere yesterday.

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Ganesh said, Geetha even got PDO Anand to put pressure on him, to the extent of threatening him with dismissal, if he failed to comply. Scared about losing his job, he got into the manhole, but also had a friend take a video of the same. The video was later handed over to the media. While Ganesh got into the manhole, Cheluva supported him. The incident that occurred despite the ban on manual cleaning of sewers has created an outrage in the State. The FIR has been registered by D.G. Gurushanthappa, Assistant Director, Social Welfare Department, Nazarbad.

The complaint has been filed for criminal intimidation and for violations of the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers Act which prohibits local authorities from employing humans to clear sewer lines and septic tanks. All of these offences could attract jail terms of two years.

According to Zilla Panchayat (ZP) Chief Executive Officer P. Shivashankar, the complaint was filed after ZP officials did a preliminary enquiry and spoke to the civic workers. "The main official in-charge had met with an accident five days before and he was not there. But since the Gram Panchayat President is also head of the Panchayat, she asked the workers to take up this work. Since she is not an official, we have sent a report to the government to remove her from the presidentship and membership (from the Panchayat)," Shivashankar told Star of Mysore this morning.

Panchayat members are elected without any party affiliation at the village level. He said a probe is also underway to ascertain whether there are other officials involved in the incident. "A probe has been ordered against Geetha and Anand and Taluk Panchayat Executive Officer Lingarajaiah. We will ascertain their role and action will be taken depending on the investigation report," the ZP CEO said.

CHARGES DENIED

Meanwhile, GP President Geetha has denied the charges. "I never told Ganesh to clean the manhole. I had asked Cheluva to check the manhole but did not tell any Pourakarmika to get down and clean it. When I heard that Ganesh had entered the manhole, I visited the place and told him to come out and even gave him soap and shampoo for him to take bath," she said.

Children join hands in seed ball culture

Mysuru, June 8 (RKB & DM)- In order to educate and sensitise the children on Seed Ball Culture, city's 'Samskruthi' had organised a Seed Ball Culture Programme at Government Model Higher Primary School, opposite Ambedkar Park in Ashokapuram, this morning.

More than 400 children from the School and close-by Educational Institutions took part in the programme which was held under the theme 'Breathe Green!'

The children were sensitised on the importance of conserving our nature and educated on making seed ball using red soil, organic manure, seeds of medicinal and herbal plants etc.

Mayor M.J. Ravikumar inaugurates the programme.

Former ZP President Dr. Puspa Amarnath, former Mayor and Corporator Purshottam, H.V. Rajeev of Swachh Bharat Rajeev Team, Samskruthi's Sridevi Bhoopalam, School Head Master Kshetrapal and others were present during the programme.

[Pic. by Pragathi Gopalakrishna]

Many organisations including Inner Wheel Clubs of Mysuru, Karmika Mahila Samaja and Mysuru Mahila Vedike, took part in the programme. The Seed Balls prepared in this programme will be planted along Mysuru-T. Narsipuram, Mysuru-Nanjangud, Outer Ring Road and other roads on the outskirts of the city during the coming monsoon season.

Fighting dengue: MCC, Health Dept. form Joint Rapid Response Teams

Mysuru, June 8 (YDS&BCT)- In the wake of dengue and other vector-borne disease scare in the city, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has constituted Joint Rapid Response Teams along with Department of Health and Family Welfare. The teams have been constituted across all nine Zones in city.

The Joint Rapid Response Teams will comprise Health Officers, Environment Engineers, Health Inspectors, Assistant Commissioners and others from the MCC, apart from officers from the Health Department.

The teams will conduct daily visits to the areas where dengue cases are reported. They will spread awareness on measures to be taken to prevent mosquito breeding.

Yesterday, MCC officials, led by Mayor Ravikumar and senior officials, held a meeting at the Vani Vilas Water Works office at Yadavagiri and chalked out plans to combat the pre-monsoon disease.

Speaking at the meeting, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha said that of the 71 dengue cases in Mysuru district reported from January 2017, 42 have been reported from the city limits. He directed officials to take stringent measures to combat the disease.

Asking field officers to visit every locality in their jurisdiction and look for stagnant water in empty coconut shells, abandoned water containers, tyres and other likely places where garbage is not cleared.

The Commissioner said that some private hospitals have been creating panic despite guidelines clearly stating that they cannot confirm a dengue case until the case is studied by the DHO. Confirmatory tests for dengue are done only at the district laboratory. Therefore, private hospitals cannot declare cases till the samples are tested at the district lab, he said.

Field Officers and the ground-level workers have been asked to do intensive fogging and door-to-door surveillance. "Find out if anyone is suffering from fever and other health issues and intervene immediately," he directed.

Health Officers said that fogging had been launched on a priority in areas where dengue positive cases had been reported. Fogging has been taken up at Janata Nagar, Neelakantanagar, Jayanagar, J.P. Nagar near the Sewage Treatment Plant, Kesare, R.S. Naidunagar, Udayagiri and K.G. Koppal, D. Devaraj Urs Colony, J.P. Nagar, Shanthinagar, Ghousia Nagar, parts of Srirampura as they were among high-risk localities.

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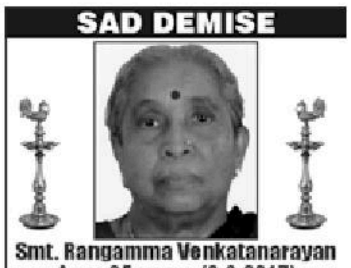

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Harvest rain water in vacant Government lands

A 'johad' is a rainwater storage tank, principally used in Rajasthan, that collects and stores water throughout the year, to be used for drinking purpose by humans and cattle.

Monsoon has arrived in some parts of the country. Due to global warming, climatic conditions have been unpredictable and it is felt that immediate action be taken to harvest whatever quantity of rain that falls on earth.

Ground water is diminishing and people are finding it difficult to find water even after digging a borewell to a depth of 400 to 800 meters. Existing borewells in Mysuru city have dried up due to reasons of over-exploitation, lack of rejuvenation through percolation of rain water etc.

According to reports, one hour good rainfall over one square kilometer soil, if properly harvested and stored, can supply water to 300 families for 3 months. That is the power of rain and may be in our city the administration harvest this rain.

In a letter, city-based Environmentalist and Social Activist Vasanthkumar Mysoremath has appealed to Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), MUDA and other agencies which have vast land parcel available to implement Rain Water Harvesting (RWH).

"Government is the biggest landlord in India. Various authorities in Mysuru are also in possession of huge tracts of unused land around various government places, example, Government Guest House in Nazarbad, Maharaja's,Yuvaraja and Maharani's colleges, People's, Dr.Rajkumar and Dr.Vishnuvardhan Parks and in many unkempt parks in most extensions and lands around Chamundi Hill slope, etc.," he has stated in the letter.

He has appealed for necessary directions to authorities concerned to take up creating small ponds, simple scientific soak pits that may be dug up with the help of JCBs wherever vacant lands are lying unused. If necessary, water experts may be consulted for harvesting the runaway rain water for replenishing the depleting ground water. If this is done and Government authorities become a role model, citizens would come forward and do their bit since there is a palpable awareness in the minds of people about the imminent sufferings if there is no good monsoon, he said.

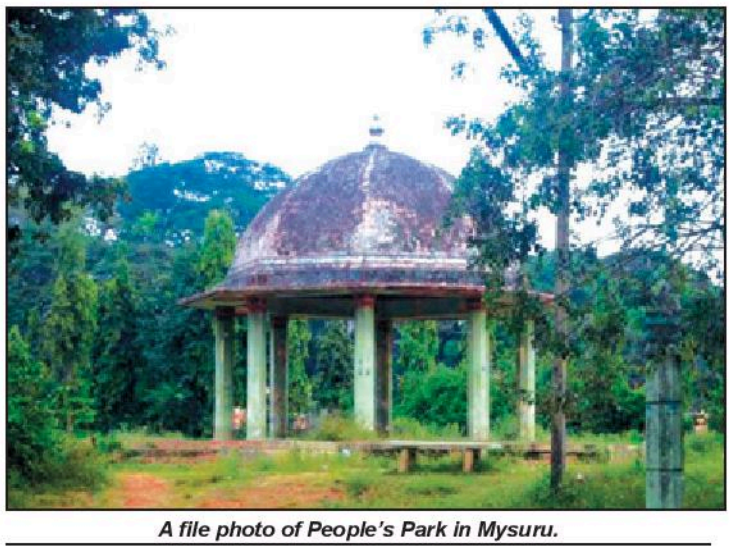
Funds are available under MNREG for urban areas also and if unemployed labour can be engaged, as a special purpose vehicle, problem of flooding and consequent loss of life and property can be avoided by digging sink pits, mini-ponds etc.

Mysuru District has received a few days of pre-monsoon showers and rainwater is running away into various storm-water drains (SWDs) where broken manholes are spewing sewage and waste water. We need to act fast and find ways to have as many sink pits or mini-ponds so that rainwater gets stocked and will not run away and flood the side drains.

A classic example is how, Masaysay Award Winner, Dr. Rajendra Singh, also known as the Waterman, has pioneered and created *'johads,'* rainwater storage tanks, check dams and other time-tested as well as path-breaking techniques.

His organisation, *Tarun Bharat Sangh,* has helped build over 8,600 *johads* and other water conservation structures to collect rainwater for the dry seasons, has brought water back to over 1,000 villages and revived five rivers in Rajasthan. Similar *johads* and a chain of garland ponds in lands with good gradients could be best suited for RWH in Mysuru.

With global warming a reality, we must think ahead of our times, protect, preserve and conserve the elixir of life with some ground water for posterity. Tomorrow may be too late.



A file photo of People's Park in Mysuru.

Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, June 8- Karnataka State Primary School Teachers Association, Mysuru Taluk Branch, has invited applications from the children of Primary/ High School teachers, who have secured above 80% in 2016-17 SSLC exam, to present Pratibha Puraskar. Last date to apply is June 20. Eligible students may send their marks card photocopy, two passport size photo, HM's attested letter from the Parents' School and parents' phone numbers to the address: Karnataka State Primary School Teachers Association, #191, 9th Cross Road, Kuvempunagar M-Block, Mysuru-570023 or contact President Javare Gowda on Mob: 99456-53759 or Secretary Satish on Mob: 91415-75911.

Nekara-Kuruhinashetty

Nekara-Kuruhinashetty Welfare Association has invited applications from the community students, who have secured above 80 percent in SSLC and 75 percent in 2nd PUC in the 2016-17 examination to present Pratibha Puraskar.

Eligible candidates may send their application along with TC and marks card photocopy and two postcard size photographs before July 30 along with their full details, to the President/Organisation Secretary, Nekara Kuruhinashetty Welfare Association, No.686, 12th Main, 4th Stage, T.K. Layout, Mysuru-570009.

For details, contact Mob: 99805-31773 or 94803-02530, according to a press release.

Anti-Child Labour Day on June 12

Mysuru, June 8 (RKB&DM)- With a view of creating awareness on the social evil of child labour, the District Administration will be observing Anti-Child Labour Day at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road on June 12.

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep, who chaired a preliminary meeting at his office in this regard recently, said that child labour had hindered the nation's progress. Highlighting the need for eradicating this evil practise, the DC emphasised on the need for crating public awareness an Anti-Child Labour Laws.

Stating that World Anti-Child Labour Day is being observed on June 12, the DC said that all Taluk Administrations will be directed to observe the day by staging street plays and vehicle campaigns. The DC also asked the officials to warn hotel and shop owners against employing children.

ADC Soujanya, Assistant Labour Commissioner Thammanna, Labour Officer Manjuladevi, DDPI H.R. Basappa, Women and Child Welfare Department Deputy Director Radha, District Backward Classes Welfare Officer Somashekar and others were present.

Parents protest against school closure

Mysuru, June 8 (RKB&DM)- Claiming that Bensons International Academy School at Nagarthahalli in Jayapura hobli had shut down without prior notice, parents of children who secured admission in the School under the Right to Education (RTE) Act, have urged the authorities to provide seats to their wards in other schools.

Addressing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, Shambulingaswamy, one of the parents, said that the School had about 200 children, out of which 12 children had secured admission under the RTE Act a couple of years ago. Although the School which started in 2007 with CBSE curriculum had been running well, they learnt that the School management had issued Transfer Certificates (TC) to all other students. But they (parents of RTE children) came to know about the closure of the school only when they took their wards on June 1, when the school was supposed to reopen for the new academic year, he said.

Shocked by the closure of the School, they went to the BEO to complain; the BEO, stating that CBSE Schools do not come under their jurisdiction, directed them (parents) to approach Jayapura Police. But the Police are not acting on the complaint, he alleged and urged the authorities concerned to come to their rescue. A few parents of children admitted to the school under RTE Act were present at the meet.

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CHAMPIONS TROPHY 2017

Pakistan stun South Africa

Birmingham, June 8- Pakistan completed a remarkable turnaround to beat South Africa by 19 runs on the D/L method in their day/night Group B Champions Trophy match at Edgbaston yesterday and so maintain their hopes of a semi-final place.

Just three days after conceding a total of 319 for three in a 124-run thrashing by arch-rivals and title-holders India at Edgbaston in their first match of this one-day international tournament, Pakistan held South Africa to a score of 219 for eight at the Birmingham ground.

Batting first South Africa scored a modest 219 for eight in 50 overs. Only David Miller, with 75 not out, offered any top-order resistance. Opener Quinton de Kock (33), Faf du Plessis (26), Chris Morris (28) and Rabada (26) were the others who got some useful runs. Hasan Ali was the most successful bowler for Pakistan taking three for 24. Junaid Khan and Imad Wasim took two wickets each.

Pakistan was 119 for three off 27 overs, well ahead of a target of 101 on D/L target, when rain stopped play. Babar Azam was 31 not out and Shoaib Malik unbeaten on 16 after fast bowler Morne Morkel had taken three for 18 in just seven overs. Fakhar Zaman (31) and Mohammad Hafeez (26) were the other run-getters. South Africa complete their group campaign against India at the Oval on Sunday, with Pakistan facing Sri Lanka in Cardiff on Tuesday.

Singapore F3 Futures Men's Tennis

City's Suraj goes down in final qualifying round

Singapore, June 8- Mysuru lad Suraj R. Prabodh taking part in the Singapore F3 Futures $10,000 Men's Tennis Tournament lost in the final qualifying round in the men's singles event yesterday.

In the final qualifying round, Spain's Bruno Mardones beat Suraj 6-3, 6-1 to sail into the main draw of the event. In the first round, Suraj had beat G. Hayer (SUI) 7-6 (1), 1-0 (retd).

68th Junior Natl. Basketball Championship

UP and MP teams qualify to Level 1

Noida, June 8- The penultimate day of the league stages at the 68th Junior National Basketball Championship turned out to be a day of celebration for the home teams yesterday. Both Uttar Pradesh teams won their qualifying matches promoting them to Level 1. They are now through to the pre-quarterfinals.

The UP girls had a relatively easy outing in their qualifying game with a whopping 80-32 win against West Bengal. Vaishnavi once again led the scoring for UP with 28 points in a completely one-sided contest. The UP boys, however, fought a tough battle against a hungry Karnataka side. Despite trailing by double digits, UP maintained their composure and worked on cutting into the Karnataka lead. Prasun (23 points) and Navin (21 points) helped to secure the come-from-behind 76-62 win for UP. Karnataka centre Pratyansh had 22 points in the defeat.

In the other qualifying matches, both the Madhya Pradesh teams knocked out both the Andhra Pradesh teams in blowout victories, leading from start to finish. The MP teams have now moved one step closer to the knockout stages.

In the level 1 games this morning, the Kerala girls sailed past Delhi, led by Jayalakshmi's 25 points, in a 70-35 win. The Punjab boys also remained unbeaten with a 91-64 win against Rajasthan. Punjab forward Kanwar Gurbaz displayed his all-round skill putting up 27 points in the win. Neighbours Haryana were also victorious, edging past Chhattisgarh 63-57. While Chhattisgarh slipped to the bottom of the table, Haryana remained in contention for the knock-out stages.

In the second half, the Chhattisgarh girls faced the upstart Gujarat girls team, who seemed over-matched today. Gujarat relied on ball movement and unselfish play and were able to stay within single digits of Chhattisgarh for the first three quarters. However, fatigue caught up with them in the fourth quarter, while the tireless Chhattisgarh girls dominated outscoring Gujarat 24 to 6 in the final period to close out on a 71-46 win.

In other level 1 girls' matches, Punjab got the better of neighbor Haryana, thanks to a burst of offense in the third quarter. Punjab's Rajandeep Kaur (12 points) and Aakarshan Sandhu (12 points) were the differentiating factors responsible for the 55-28 win. The Maharashtra girls also had success, fighting with Tamil Nadu for the top spot in Group B.

FRENCH OPEN 2017

Andy Murray enters semi-finals

Paris, June 8- World number one Andy Murray advanced to his fifth French Open semi-final yesterday, defeating Japanese eighth seed Kei Nishikori 2-6, 6-1, 7-6 (7/0), 6-1.

Murray, who was runner-up to Novak Djokovic at Roland Garros last year, will meet 2015 champion Stan Wawrinka for a spot in Sunday's final.

Nishikori out-dueled Murray in a five-set classic at last year's US Open and looked capable of a repeat success as he rolled through the opening set. But Murray responded by taking the second set with ease and stormed through a third-set tie-break before finishing off a tiring Nishikori to seal a fourth successive semi-final appearance in Paris. The Scot set up a semi-final rematch with third seed Wawrinka after beating the Swiss in four sets at the same stage of the tournament a year ago.

Former champion Stan Wawrinka became the oldest French Open semi-finalist in 32 years yesterday when he brushed aside Marin Cilic 6-3, 6-3, 6-1. The third seed has not lost a set on his way to a third successive semi-final in Paris.

Rohan Bopanna in mixed doubles final: India's Rohan Bopanna earned himself an opportunity to become only the fourth Indian to win a Grand Slam trophy by reaching the French Open mixed doubles final with partner Gabriela Dabrowski yesterday.

The seventh seed pair shocked third seeds Andrea Hlavackova and Edouard Roger-Vasselin 7-5 6-3 in the semifinals. This is only the second time in his career that Bopanna has reached the summit clash of a Grand Slam. In 2010, he had made the final of US Open men's doubles with Pakistani partner Aisam-ul-haq-Qureshi and lost to legendary Bryan brothers. They will now face Germany's Anna-Lena Groenefeld and Colombia's Robert Farah in the final.

Meanwhile, Simona Halep staged a remarkable fightback and saved a match point to reach the semi-final with a 3-6 7-6(6) 6-0 win over Elina Svitolina yesterday.

The third seed Halep trailed by a set and 5-1 against the fifth seed but somehow dug herself out of a hole before storming to victory. Halep clinched the second set with a forehand winner and swept through the decider as Svitolina's spirit sagged, sealing victory with an ace.

Halep will play second-seeded Karolina Pliskova of Czech Republic in the semi-final while in the other half of the draw will feature Jelena Ostapenko of Latvia taking on her Swiss compatriot Timea Bacsinszky. All four players are seeking a first grand slam title.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

Train No.	Name	Dep.Mys	Arr.B'lore	DepB'lore	Arr.Mys
22818/22817	Mysore-Howrah Weekly Exp.	12.30 am (Mon)	03.00 am (Mon)	01.00 am (Sun)	03.45 am (Sun)
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16215/16216	Chamundi Express	06.45 am	09.30 am	06.15 pm	09.05 pm
12578/12577	Mysore-Dharbanga Weekly Exp.	07.20 am (Sat)	09.55 am (Sat)	08.55 pm (Thu)	11.30pm(Thu)
16229/16230	Mysore-Varanasi Bi-weekly Exp.	07.20 am (Tue & Thu)	11.50 am (Varanasi) (Thu & Sat)	09.50 pm (Varanasi) (Thu & Sat)	02.50 am (Sun & Tue)
16023/16024	Mysore-Yesvantpur Malgudi Exp.	08.20 am	11.10 am	01.30 pm	04.15 pm
56281/56282	Chamarajnagar-Bangalore Passenger	08.45 am	12.00 noon	03.30 pm	06.35 pm
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56204/56203	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	07.20 am	09.10 am	10.40 am	12.25 pm
56214/56213	Tirupati-Chamarajanagar	10.30 am	12.30 pm	03.00 pm	04.45 pm
56210/56209	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	12.30 pm	02.15 pm	06.00pm	07.50 pm
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56216/56215	Mysore-Hassan-Yesvantpur Passenger	8.30 am	02.45 pm (Yesvantpur)	01.00 pm (Yesvantpur)	08.00 pm
56268/56267	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.20 pm	10.30 pm	05.00 am	09.25 am
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		Dep.Mys	Arr. Shimoga	Dep.Shimoga	Arr.Mys
16206/16205	Mysore-Talaguppa Express	05.50 am	10.50 am	04.50 pm	10.15 pm
56276/56275	Mysore-Shimoga Passenger	01.10 pm	07.40 pm	07.50 am	02.30 pm
07301/06228	Mysore-Shimoga Express	10.30 pm	04.45 am	10.30 pm	07.00 am

TOWARDS BANGALORE/ MANGALORE

		Dep.	Arr.
16523/17	MysoreKarwar/Kannur Express	11.30 pm (Mys.)	2.00 pm (Kar)
16524/18	Karwar/KannurMysore Express	02.40 pm (Kar)	5.15 am (Mys) 5.30 am leaves for Bangalore

[The train reaches Kannur at 11.35 am and departs at 4.30 pm]

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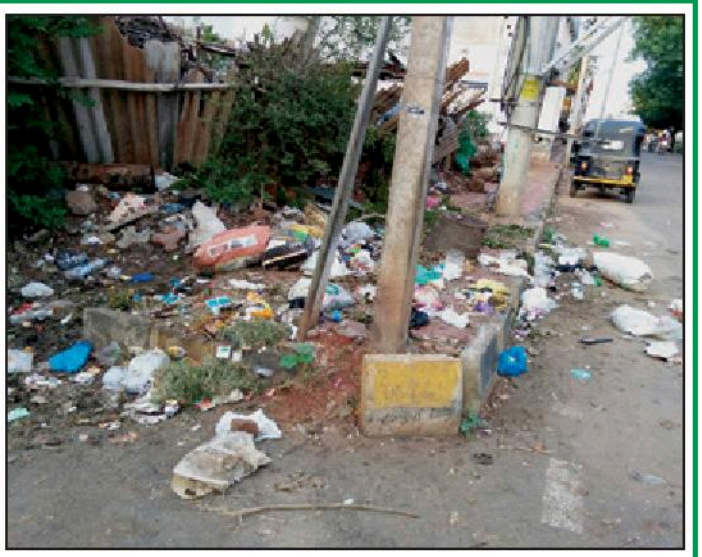
Plea to clear garbage at T.K. Layout



The 14th Main Road in T.K. Layout has become a place to dump garbage and is left uncleared since many days, causing inconvenience to the residents. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to get the garbage cleared at the earliest.

Caution! Open manhole at R.S. Naidu Nagar

An open manhole on the 8th Cross in R.S. Naidu Nagar 3rd Stage is posing danger to motorists as well as the public. Some persons have placed wooden plants, zinc sheet and stones to warn those who use the road. Authorities concerned are urged to take steps to cover the manhole.

Sewage water overflowing from a manhole at Rajiv Nagar

Sewage water which is overflowing from a clogged manhole on the 6th Cross, behind Khudadad Mosque in Rajiv Nagar 1st Stage, is flowing into a storm water drain since about two months resulting in foul smell emanating from it. Residents say that though officials concerned inspected the spot, they are yet to take action in this regard. Authorities concerned are urged to initiate action at the earliest.

Seminar on 'Constitutional Aspirations'

Former SC Judge regrets rise in pseudo secularism

Mysuru, June 8 (SPN&DM)- Regretting the rise of pseudo-secularism under the guise of secularism, former Supreme Court Judge Justice V. Gopala Gowda expressed concern over attempts to subvert the Constitution. He was speaking at the Seminar on 'Constitutional Aspirations and Challenges' organised by Abhivyakti Swatantrakkagi Jana Sanghatane at a private hotel on Sri Harsha Road here yesterday.

Observing that snatching away the freedom of personal food habits through Legislation was not at all acceptable, Justice Gopala Gowda said that such Legislations only leads to unrest in the country.

Maintaining that pseudo-secularism had overshadowed true secularism, he bemoaned that there were less meaningful and healthy debates going on in the country.

Pointing out that Dr. Ambedkar's Constitutional Aspirations such as empowerment of women was yet to be realised even after seven decades of Independence, the former SC Judge said that our politicians had miserably failed in honest implementation of the Constitution.

Bemoaning that no one seems to be serious about implementing Court Judgements on protecting fundamental rights and discharge of duties, he outlined the need for our Parliamentarians to raise their voice for the empowerment of the weaker sections of our society.

Noting that of late much politics is going on in the name of development, he expressed concern over corruption in the name of upliftment of weaker sections.

Stating that it was sad to note that our Parliamentarians were quarrelling over small and non-issues, such developments may disturb the social fabric of our country.

Legal luminary Dr. C.K.N. Raja, in his address, said that American Constitution has a 230-year history while the British Constitution is over 600 years old. But our Constitution came into being only 67 years ago and the time has come to introspect ourselves whether we are heading the wrong path in following the Constitution, he remarked.

Sanghatane Convenor S.B. Balaram, K. Basavaraj, Balaji Rao and others were present during the seminar.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Shivaleelavathi S.** W/o M. Girish, Resident of No.1, Block-21, BEML Layout, Srirampura 2nd Stage, Mysuru, have changed my name to **Leelavathi Girish** before Notary N.P. Kamaladevi, Mysuru, vide affidavit dated 06-06-2017.

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City Police transfers

Mysuru, June 8- The State Government has transferred Police Inspectors posted in some of the Police Stations in the city. Among them, K.C. Poovaiah, Inspector, Saraswathipuram Police Station, has been transferred to Police Training School in Channapatna. Siddaraju, Inspector, Lakshmipuram Police Station, has been transferred to State Intelligence Department.

Meanwhile, Chamarajanagar ACB ACP Prabhakar Rao Shinde and Maddur Dy.SP Mathew Thomas have been transferred Karnataka Police Academy (KPA) in Mysuru.

RTI activist Srinath murder

HC grants conditional bail to accused

Bengaluru, June 8- The High Court has granted conditional bail to two persons accused in the murder of Mysuru RTI activist Srinath.

Justice Rathnakala, who took up the hearing after the accused, Auto Puttaswamy and Lakshmegowda, filed a bail application, granted conditional bail by asking the accused to produce Rs. 2 lakh each personal bond and surety of Rs. 2 lakh each, not to attempt to destroy evidence and co-operate with the investigations.

It may be recalled that on Dec.30, 2016, the body of Srinath was found on the banks of River Cauvery near Nimishamba Temple in Srirangapatna.

Saraswathipuram Police, who took up the investigation, had confirmed it to be a murder and had arrested Auto Puttaswamy and Lakshmegowda, residents of Rajarajeshwari Nagar in Mysuru.

Following their arrest, the accused had filed bail applications at the High Court.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Serendipity

Meaning: An aptitude for making desirable discoveries by accident.

Example: She spoke over the afternoon hum of serendipity, the famous Upper East Side ice-cream parlor. -The Pocket Pundit by Samuel P. Jacobs, Feb. 12, 2010.
Then came one of those weird bits of serendipity that make the writing life — and the book tour— worth all the trouble. - A Ghostwriter Steps Out of the Shadows by Bill Morris, Sept. 16, 2014.
Origin: Serendipity was the felicitous invention of the English man of letters Horace Walpole (1717-97), who wrote it in a letter dated 28 January 1754, explaining that his coinage came from The Three Princes of Serendip in an English translation of a French translation of an Italian translation of a Persian fairy tale based on the life of a Sassanid (Persian) king of the fourth century a.d. The three princely heroes of the story had the knack for making desirable discoveries by accident.

THE ODD WORD

Saxifragous

Breaking stone

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Ballpark Figure

Meaning: To be near about the exact (usually in amount)

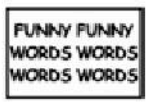
Examples: The management was given a ballpark figure at the very beginning of the presentation.
She manages to give her father a ballpark amount that she would need every week.
Origin: The origin of this phrase comes from how a commentator would give an estimate of the number of audiences by just looking around. Speculated to have started in America through baseball but it is now a popular way of speaking throughout the world.

QUOTE BOX

"The goal of education is the advancement of knowledge and the dissemination of truth." **—John F. Kennedy**

RIDDLE THIS

Answer the rebus below:



Answer: Too funny for words.

SUDOKU

9			3	7				
	4			8			7	
		1				5		
	3		2					1
8	1						6	7
5					3		4	
		6				7		
	9			2			1	
				4	6			2

Answer to previous puzzle

9	4	8	5	1	7	6	2	3
5	3	7	2	9	6	8	1	4
2	6	1	3	4	8	5	9	7
7	5	3	9	8	2	1	4	6
6	8	4	7	3	1	9	5	2
1	9	2	4	6	5	7	3	8
3	1	6	8	5	9	4	7	5
4	7	9	6	5	3	2	8	1
8	2	5	1	7	4	3	6	9

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Main idea, kernel of matter
5 Assoc. of Optical Practitioners
8 Low part in music
12 Exaggerated masculinity
13 Be adjacent to
14 Culture medium
15 Even-handed; unbiased
17 Wanderer
19 A white wine
20 Capital of Peru
22 New York ___ : famous newspaper
26 Resentful or aloof
29 A bull, for example, is this type of animal
30 Swindle or cheat
31 Have a good time?
33 Tender loving care, abbr.
34 Biblical preposition
36 Underworld river
38 Frown
40 The girl in the wine-cellar
41 Catches or apprehends
43 Joiner's tool
47 Great Sanskrit poet of Meghadoot and Raghuvamsa
51 Ancient Greek coin
52 Dash or zest; verve
53 Lack of fat
54 ___ a dead horse : waste one's efforts?
55 In short it is responsible for building up proteins and transmitting hereditary properties
56 Swelling on eyelid

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

E	T	A	L	■	B	R	I	E	■	O	D	A
M	O	N	A	■	O	U	R	S	■	V	A	N
I	T	E	M	■	W	E	A	K	N	E	S	S
L	O	W	B	R	E	D	■	I	E	R	■	■
■	■	■	A	O	L	■	A	M	I	D	S	T
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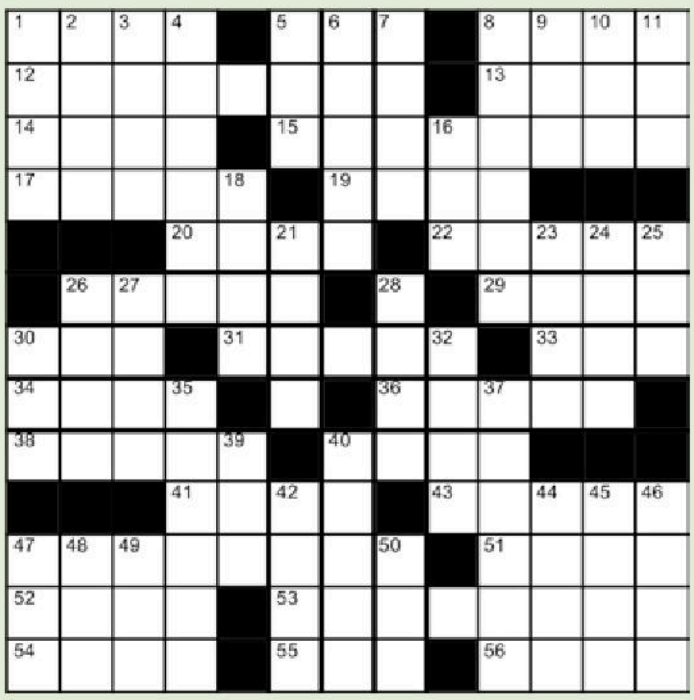
E	R	A	■	M	O	R	T	■	R	Y	O	T
T	B	D	■	A	I	A	A	■	A	X	L	E

DOWN

1 FBI agent (slang) (1-3)
2 Villain in Shakespeare's Othello
3 Swindle or rip-off
4 Bondage, enslavement
5 Acc. Standards Board
6 City in Nebraska
7 Hockey played on horsebacks?
8 ___ Chandra Chatterji : creator of Vande Mataram?
9 First letters
10 Bring to court
11 Standard, in short?
16 Thing done; deed
18 Long wall or embankment against flooding
21 Talkative bird
23 Algebra or geometry, in short
24 "She" in French
25 Securities and Exchange Commission, acronym?
26 Unison (abbrev.).
27 As far as (2,2)
28 Girl's toy
30 ___ Logie : famous West Indies middle order batsman?
32 High-pitched bark
35 Having possession
37 A bird's claws
39 A young boy
40 German industrial city
42 Without hair
44 To encourage by word or deed
45 Inquisitive
46 Besides, in addition
47 State of drowsy contentment
48 __ out: with maximum effort?
49 Thai language - "Ola" anagram?
50 Alcoholic Anonymous Association, should we say?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RSS: MY TAJTQQTYB KQMJT BS PBHCI BFT FMGVBP

SZ FHOMY GTVYNP

TODAY'S CLUE: B EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Did you ever walk into a room and forget why you walked in? I think that's how dogs spend their lives.

NOW SHOWING

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	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Sarkari Kelasa Devara Kelasa	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
Pataki	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
Bangara S/o Bangarada Manushya			
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Raajakumara	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Maasthi Gudi	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Ee Kalarava	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Baahubali 2	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Secret Girl 009	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Wonder Woman	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Kick	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Baywatch	Rajkamal	2423554	2 Shows
The Mummy		2423554	2 Shows

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Wonder Woman (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.30 am
	(S-2)	4.20 pm, 7.05, 9.55 pm
Baahubali-2 (Te)	(S-1)	1.15 pm
	(S-3)	7.05 pm
The Mummy (E-3D)	(S-1)	5.00 pm, 7.30, 9.55 pm
Pirates of the Caribbean (E-3D)	(S-2)	11.15 am, 1.45 pm
Pataki (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am,1.35 pm
Raajakumara (K)	(S-3)	4.15 pm
Baywatch (E)	(S-4)	12.50 pm 7.35 pm, 9.50 pm
Dobaara: See Your Evil (H)	(S-4)	3.05 pm
Hindi Medium (H)	(S-4)	5.05 pm

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Wonder Woman (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 3.50 pm 6.50 pm
Pirates of the Caribbean (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.10 pm
Sachin: A Billion Dreams (H)	(S-2)	10.00 am, 12.50 pm
Baahubali-2 (Te)	(S-2)	6.00 pm; (S-3) 1.50 pm
Baahubali-2 (H)	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Baywatch (E)	(S-4)	10.55 am
Andhhagadu (Te)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Pataki (K)	(S-3)	11.00 am
	(S-4)	1.20 pm, 4.20 pm
Eleyaru Naavu Geleyaru (K)	(S-4)	7.10 pm
The Mummy (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.25 pm
	(S-2)	3.40 pm
	(S-3)	5.10 pm, 7.30 pm
	(S-4)	9.20 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON FRIDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Gandhi Smruthi, 6.50 Sponsored Prog., 7.15 Bhavageete, 8.30 Radio Doctor, 8.35 Haadiyalli Kanda Mukha, 9.15 Namma Arogya, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 pm Devaranama, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.15 Hindi Film Songs, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 4.00 Flute Recital, 5.00 Gaana, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Reshme Siri, 9.30 Hindustani Music, 10.30 Savinenapu.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Sethji	7:00 pm Saathiya	7:00 pm Yeh Moh Ke Dhaage
7:30 Sanyukt	7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein	7:30 Peshwa Bajirao
8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek	8:00 PardesMeinHaiMeraDil	8:00 Mahabali Hanumaan
8:30 Piya Albela	8:30 Chandra Nandni	8:30 Jaat Ki Jugni
9:00 Kumkum Bhagya	9:00 Naamkarann	9:00 Beyhadh
9:30 Ek Tha Raja Ek Thi Rani	9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai	9:30 Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi
10:00 Woh Apna Sa	10:00 Ishqbaaaz	10:00 Crime Patrol Dial 100
5:00 pm Dual Survival	10:30pm ICC Champions Trophy 2017 : Post Show	6:00pm Customs
6:00 Man vs. Wild	11:00 ICC Champions Trophy 2017 H/ls	6:30 Science of Stupid
7:00 You Have Been Warned	11:30 ICC Champions Trophy 2017 H/ls : India vs. Pakistn	7:00 Africa's Creative Killers
7:30 Untamed & Uncut		8:00 Brain Games : Perspective
8:00 River Monsters		8:30 Science of Stupid
9:00 Man vs. Wild		9:00 Science of Stupid
10:00 Man vs. Wild		9:30 Do or Die : Raging Bulls
11:00 Naked and Afraid		10:00 TheStoryofGodwithMorgan
6:00pm Larva	6:00 pm Keladi Kanmani	6:00 pm Mahasati
6:30 Roll No. 21	6:30 Ganga	6:30 Jo Jo Laali
8:30 Roll No. 21	7:30 Kula Deivam	7:00 Sarayoo
9:00 Teen Titans Go	8:00 Deiva Magal	7:30 Avalu
9:30 Larva	8:30 Vamsam	8:00 Aramane
10:00 Ben 10	9:00 Nandini	8:30 Nandini
11:00 Dragon Ball Z	9:30 Vani Rani	9:00 Jeevanadhi

MOVIES TONIGHT

4:01pm **Volcano**	4:36pm **Journey 2**	4:06pm **The Campaign**
6:22 **New Police Story**	6:09 **Transformers**	5:23 **The Covenant**
9:00 **Avatar**	9:00 **Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone**	7:00 **Red 2**
		9:00 **Rocky II**
5:55pm **International Khiladi**	6:36pm **Main Karunga Faisla**	3:45pm **Chaalbaaz**
8:55 **Heart Attack**	9:00 **Himmatwar**	6:55 **Teleshopping**
11:30 **Ek Aur Rakshak**		8:20 **Malamaal Weekly**
6:15pm **Fast Five**	4:00pm **Masanada Hoovu**	4:40pm **Ek Hi Raasta: The Power**
9:00 **Death Race 2**	7:00 **Raaj**	7:00 **De Dana Dan**
11:04 **Death Race 3**	10:00 **Muttinantha Hendathi**	10:40 **DeewarManofPower**

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 8)

Mysuru City Corporation (Sharadadevi Nagar - Ward No. 22): Pratibha Puraskar presentation ceremony, Dr. Yatindra Siddharamaiah inaugurates, MLA M.K. Somashekar presides, MLA G.T. Devegowda distributed Pratibha Puraskar, S.R. Subbarao Park, Nivedita Nagar, New Kantharaj Urs Road, **5.30 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Kathopanishad,' Ashrama, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Trust: Weekly programme on DVG's "Manku thimmana Kagga" by K.S. Mukundan, Chaitanya Bhavan, Krishna Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampurna Srimadramayana' by Prof. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sri Ambabavani Temple, N.R. Mohalla: 13th anniversary celebrations, Yaga Shala Pravesha, Kalasha Sthapane, Gopuje, Mahaganapathy, Durga Shanti Homa, Purnahuti and Prasada Viniyoga, under the guidance of Sri A. Arjun, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Temple: Sri Lakshminarasimha Swamy Jayanti celebrations, Thiruveedi Utsava, Temple premises, Kalidasa Road, Jayalakshmipuram, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 9)

Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch: Monthly moonlight music-188, Devotional music concert by well-known playback singer Vidu. H.G. Chaitra, accompanied by Pt. Umakant Puranik on harmonium and Pt. H.S. Gopinath on tabla, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: First death anniversary of Philanthropist and Industrialist K. Raghunathan, Salutation through dance, Bharatanatyam by Vidu. Pramitha Ramesh, accompanied by Guru Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy (nattuvanga), Vid. Nandakumar (vocal), Vid. Hanumantharaju (percussion) and Rakesh Sudhir (flute), Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampurna Srimadramayana' by Prof. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sri Ambabavani Temple, N.R. Mohalla: 13th anniversary celebrations, Abhishekas and Special Pujas, **9 am onwards;** Mahagondal programme by Bengaluru's Gondal Maharaj Janardhan Rao troupe, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Gujarat Class 12 topper renounces world to become a Jain Monk

Ahmedabad, June 8- **Varshil Shah** *(in pic.)*, a 17-year-old, who scored 99.9 percent in Class 12, has decided to renounce the world to become a Jain Monk.

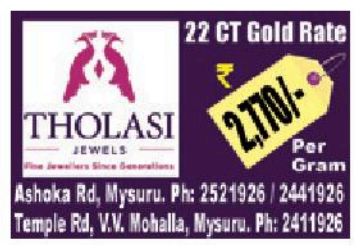
A resident of Ahmedabad in Gujarat will take *diksha* today at a ceremony to be held in Gandhinagar.

Varshil, whose family follows Jainism, shuns limelight and keeps to himself. His mother Amiben Shah and father Jigarbhai, an Income-Tax Official, are said to be happy with the decision taken by their son.

The couple raised their two children, Varshil and his older sister Jainini, in complete simplicity. The family closely follows the Jain principle of Jivdaya, or compassion for all living beings.

The use of electricity is restricted in the Shah household. The family believes many aquatic animals are killed in the process of power generation, which is also against the Jain vow of ahmisa, or non-violence.

The Shahs don't keep a television or a refrigerator at home. Electricity is used only when it is necessary, during the night especially when the children are studying.



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